ENERGY STAR® QUALIFIED DISHWASHERS



Three out of four people shopping for dishwashers choose ENERGY STAR qualified models. Save energy, save water, and lower your utility bills with an ENERGY STAR qualified dishwashers.

SAVE ENERGY AND WATER

- Save Water. Compared to a conventional model, an ENERGY STAR qualified dishwasher uses
 44 percent less water—enough water to do 45
 loads of laundry in your ENERGY STAR qualified
 clothes washer.
- Save Energy. ENERGY STAR qualified dishwashers are 25 percent more energy efficient than other conventional models. Replacing a non-qualified dishwasher with an ENERGY STAR qualified model can lower your utility bill by as much as \$25 a year.
- Boost Your Savings. Since ENERGY STAR qualified dishwashers contain their own water heaters, you can boost your energy savings by turning down the thermostat on your water heater from 140°F to 120°F. Lowering the thermostat can cut your heating costs by an additional 10 percent. It can also prevent unexpected scalding in the kitchen or bath.

If everyone who bought a new dishwasher in 2005 chose an ENERGY STAR qualified model, it would save enough water to fill the Rose Bowl 65 times.



ENERGY-SAVING OPTIONS

Scrape, don't rinse. Rinsing dishes can use about 20 gallons of water before the dishes are even loaded. So scrape food off dishes, but let ENERGY STAR qualified dishwashers do the washing. These models will clean dishes thoroughly without rinsing.

Fill it up. Run your dishwasher with a full load. A dishwasher uses more than half of its energy to heat water. Since you can't reduce the amount of water used per cycle, fill your dishwasher to capacity to get the most out of the energy you're using.

Skip the pre-rinse, rinse-hold, and heat-dry features. These features use more energy. For drying, use your dishwasher's air-dry option instead.

Products that meet strict energy guidelines set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Energy earn the ENERGY STAR.